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GOOD NEWS: I GOT *MONSTER HUNTER 4!*
BAD NEWS: I'VE BEEN PLAYING SO MUCH I HAVEN'T HAD TIME TO REVIEW MANGA AND ANIME.

WELL MOST OF THE ONES I'VE READ/WATCHED WEREN'T THAT GREAT. I SHOULD GO BACK TO WATCHING *24* AND *SUPERNATURAL*

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ALZ IS
A GIFT ...!?

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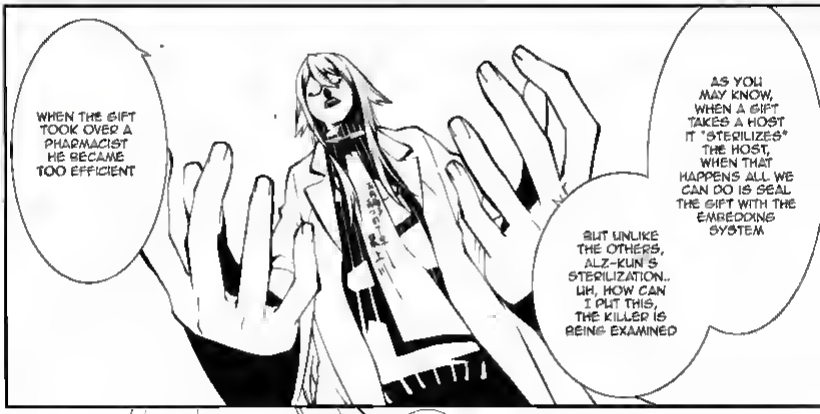
THERE'S NO WAY IN HELL //
PHARMACISTS ARE PEOPLE WHO'S "BLOOD" FIGHT OFF THE GIFT'S INFECTIONS ...
NO MATTER HOW LONG WE'RE EXPOSED TO WHATEVER VIRUS THERE IS..
TO BECOME A HOST IT'S JUST...
THERE'S JUST NO WAY A GIFT WOULD PICK HIM!!

THIS GIFT
SEEMS TO BE IMMUNE TO THE PHARMACISTS' "BLOOD"
THAT MAY BE SO WITH ALL THE GIFTS YOU MAY HAVE ENCOUNTERED HOWEVER

THE "EMBEDDING SYSYEM" I DEAL WITH
TAKES A GIFT'S SPECIAL ATTRIBUTES AND WRAPS IT UP
FROM THERE I TAKE THE GIFT'S CONTAISON POWERS AND SEAL IT
KEEP OUT


WHEN THE GIFT TOOK OVER A PHARMACIST HE BECAME TOO EFFICIENT
AS YOU MAY KNOW, WHEN A GIFT TAKES A HOST IT "STERILIZES" THE HOST. WHEN THAT HAPPENS ALL WE CAN DO IS SEAL THE GIFT WITH THE EMBEDDING SYSTEM
BUT UNLIKE THE OTHERS, ALZ-KUN'S STERILIZATION.. UH, HOW CAN I PUT THIS. THE KILLER IS BEING EXAMINED

THANKS TO THAT ALZ-KUN HAS NOT KILLED HIMSELF
AND WHAT'S MORE THE GIFT HAS BEEN ABLE TO FIGHT OFF OTHER INFECTIONS FOR HIM
ALZ-KUN AGREED
THE HIGHER UP ALLOWED ALZ-KUN TO HAVE THE GIFT EMBEDDED
AND HE COULD BE A PHARMACIST ONLY UNDER STRICT SUPERVISION

SOMETIMES THE SEAL BREAKS, JUST LIKE THIS TIME
AND SOMETIMES WHEN YOU THINK THE TROUBLES END HE NEEDS SAVING, THAT'S WHEN WE MUST ACT
AND RIGHT BEFORE HE'S COMPLETELY REVIVED WE RESEAL IT AND HE GOES BACK TO NORMAL
ONCE ALZ-KUN IS TEMPORARILY DEAD THE GIFT TAKES PRIORITY ON REVIVING ITS HOST
WHEN THE SEAL SET'S BROKEN THE FIRST THING TO DO IS KILL HIM, PREVENTING AN OUTBREAK, I ASKED MIRADOL TO TAKE CARE OF THAT FOR ME
IF THIS LEAKS OUT ALZ-KUN WOULD NOT BE KEPT ALIVE
THAT'S WHY IT'S TABOO
JUST BEING NEXT TO HIM YOU THREE ARE TREADING IN THE SHADOW OF DANGER
AN OUTBREAK WOULD MEAN CERTAIN DEATH
A GIFT WHICH IS IMMUNE TO THE PHARMACIST'S BLOOD
THAT MEANS A VIRUS WITHOUT A "MEDICINE"
THAT KIND OF MONSTER WOULD REDUCE "THE STAFF OF AESCULAPIUS" TO RUBBLE

THE ALZ-KUN YOU KNOW
IS THAT KIND OF CREATURE

BUT STILL
IT'S NOT LIKE I WISHED FOR IT OR ANYTHING

SORRY FOR GETTIN' YOU GUYS MIXED UP IN THIS
THANKS TO MIRADOL YOU TWO GOT OUT UNSCATHED
IF SHE EVEN MADE ONE LITTLE SLIP-UP YOU GUYS WOULD'VE BEEN DEAD

THE GIFT IN ME IS DANGEROUS, I GOT THAT
BUT... I CAN'T JUST ROLL OVER AND DIE, NOT YET
AND THAT'S WHY
IT HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH YOU GUYS, SO BUTT OUT
THIS IS BETWEEN MY EGO
AND THE GIFT
FOR YOU GUYS TO LOOK AT THAT KINDA DANGER
THERE AIN'T NO NEED

THAT'S WHY
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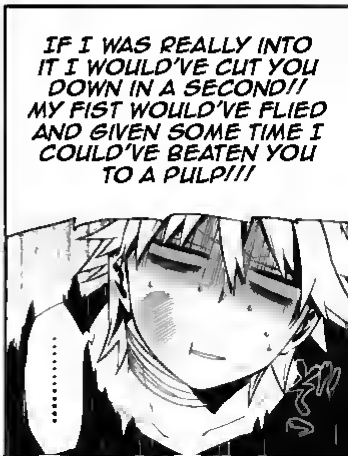
WOULD YOU PLEASE JUST CUT THE CRAP AL-READY !!!
WHAT, JUST 'CAUSE I'M YOUR KOHAI...
JUST WHO'S IN DANGER !?
WHO KILLED WHO, HUH!?

THAT WAS JUST A COINCI-DENCE !!!
I WAS JUST SUPRISED AND LET DOWN MY GUARD, THAT'S IT!!
NO BUT

AND BECAUSE OF THAT YOU'RE IN GREAT PAIN RIGHT, YOU ARE A "PATIENT" AREN'T YOU!?
YOU'RE A "HOST" AREN'T YOU!?


IF I WAS REALLY INTO IT I WOULD'VE CUT YOU DOWN IN A SECOND!! MY FIST WOULD'VE FLIED AND GIVEN SOME TIME I COULD'VE BEATEN YOU TO A PULP!!!
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WE CAN'T JUST "BUTT OUT"!!
SAVING PATIENTS WHO ARE IN PAIN IS OUR JOB
'CAUSE WE'RE PHAR-MA-CISTS !!!
PLEASE DON'T ACT LIKE IT'S NOTHING WE CAN'T HANDLE!!
AND PLEASE DON'T CARRY ALL THAT BURDEN BY YOURSELF!!
UP TIL NOW WE'VE ALWAYS FOUND SOMETHING TO HEAL PEOPLE, AND THIS TIME WILL BE NO DIFFERENT
I'LL FIND A WAY
BECAUSE IT'S YOU

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SO WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO

CHINO
WHENEVER THE WHEELS START TURNIN' SHE PETTY MUCH GOES STRAIGHT FORWARD
NOW SHE KNOWS THAT ALZ IS INFECTED
THE ONLY THING IN HER HEAD IS FINDING A CURE

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ME?
MY HEAD IS ALL JUMBLED UP
YOU KILLIN' ALZ AND ALL
AND THEN HIM COMIN' BACK
AND THEN THE RIOT
AND ALZ HAVIN' A GIFT INSIDE OF HIM
THERE'S JUST SO MUCH I CAN'T SORT 'EM ALL

BUT
THEY'RE THEM, AM I RIGHT?
SO NOTHIN'S GONNA REALLY CHANGE
MY PRECIOUS FRIENDS

AND JUST IF
THERE'S REALLY NOTHIN YOU CAN DO
JUST CALL FOR YOUR BIG BROTHER

PLUS I GOT YOU HERE MIRADOL
SO THERE'S NOTHIN TO FEAR
SORRY BOUT EARLIER

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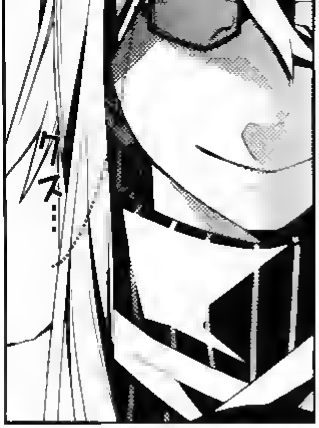
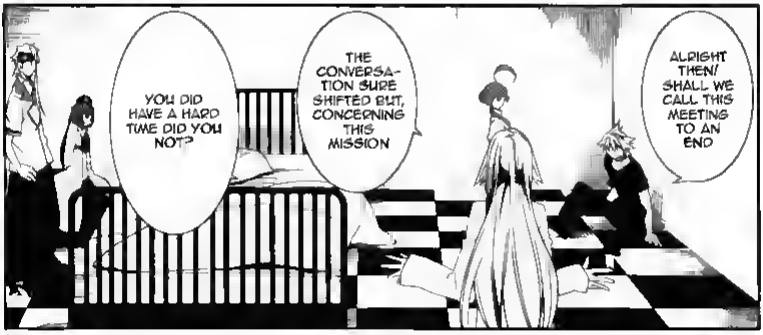
I DON'T WANT YOU DIRTYIN MY SISTER'S HANDS
I'LL KILL YA MYSELF



RATHER THAN WORRYING ABOUT THE SNAKE THEY FOCUS ON SAVING A PATIENT'S LIFE

AS ONE WOULD EXPECT FROM THE "HYGIEIA" THEY HAVE THEIR SOFT SPOTS TOO


YOU DID HAVE A HARD TIME DID YOU NOT?
THE CONVERSATION SURE SHIFTED BUT, CONCERNING THIS MISSION
ALRIGHT THEN/ SHALL WE CALL THIS MEETING TO AN END

LET'S SAY YOU RUN ACROSS A BACTERIA THAT IS RESILIANT AGAINST A CONTINUOUS SUPPLY OF MEDICINE
HMPH
OUR ORGINIZATION IS SET UP FOR THE PURPOSE OF FIGHTING THE SIFTS, AND THIS IS THE FIRST TIME I'VE HEARD OF ONE ACTUALLY EVOLVING
PERHAPS NO

WHATEVER THE CAUSE MAY BE THIS DESERVES SOME CAUTION
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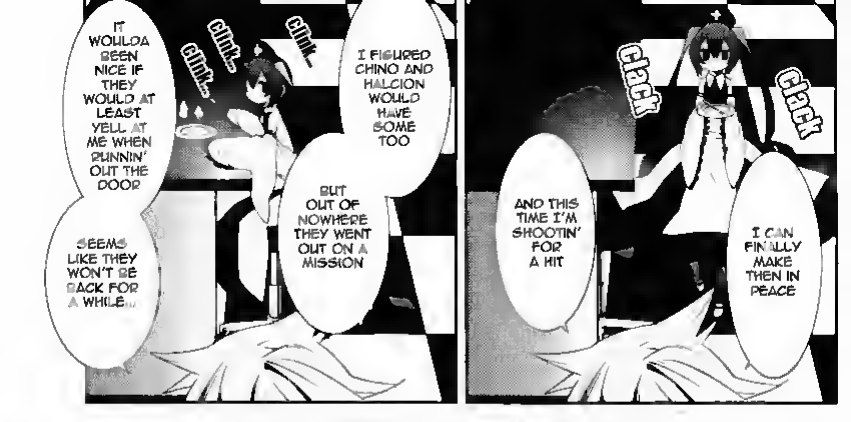
WHAT ARE YOU DOING?

SO
I'VE BEEN INJURED SINCE THE LAST MISSION, SO NOW'S MY CHANCE
SO I FIGURED I'D WHIP UP A COUPLE SUGAR CREAM PUFFS WHILE I CAN STILL MOVE
SEEMS LIKE MY BODY'S FINALLY GETTING BETTER
YEAH WELL ...

OH MIRADOL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IT WOULDA BEEN NICE IF THEY WOULD AT LEAST YELL AT ME WHEN RUNNIN' OUT THE DOOR
SEEMS LIKE THEY WON'T BE BACK FOR A WHILE...
I FIGURED CHINO AND HALCION WOULD HAVE SOME TOO
BUT OUT OF NOWHERE THEY WENT OUT ON A MISSION
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AND THIS TIME I'M SHOOTIN' FOR A HIT
I CAN FINALLY MAKE THEM IN PEACE

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WELL
I GUESS I'M IN YOUR DEBT THIS TIME
SINCE YOU'RE HERE
YOU CAN HAVE ONE

BUT I CAN'T GUARANTEE THE TASTE YA.
WOAH !!?

HUH...!?
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LOOKS LIKE YOU CAN MOVE JUST FINE TO ME
OH
THE ROOM...
MY... SUGAR... CR...EAM...
WHA... WHAT...!?
WAS there any reason to do that

I HEARD YOU DROPPED DEAD AND I WAS WONDERIN' WHAT'D HAPPEN
BUT YOU BEIN' GOOD TO GO, THAT'S ALL GOOD FOR ME
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HAZE !!?
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SHUT YOUR TRAP SLOW POKE
HUUH?
HAZE-SAN
THE ENTRANCE IS OVER HERE
PLEASE EXCUSE THE INTERRUPTION
OUREN OF THE 4TH VIRUS SQUADRON
IDIOT, COMIN' IN THIS WAY WAS WAY MORE FASTER
WHAT'S THIS IDIOT SAYING

I... I GUESS SO, SORRY
HAZE-SAN
WHY ARE YOU APOLOGIZ-ING
AND WHY THE HELL ARE YOU BLUSHING
DON'T GIMME THAT
DOIN' CRAZY SHIT LIKE THAT IS DANGER-OUS!
WHAT WERE YOU THINK-ING!?
YEAH
WHAT WERE YOU THINKING ABOUT DOING TO MY SUGAR CREAM
AAH MIRADOL'S LOST IT...
AND WHILE SHE'S AT IT SHE'S GONE AND STARTED EATING THE CREAM

SHUT YOUR FACE, MIDGET
I'VE GOT NO BEEF WITH YOU
YOU SURE ARE AN OBNOXIOUS PERSON FOR SOMEONE WHO RUINS OTHER PEOPLE'S FOOD
I'LL CHEW YOU OUT
TSK
HEY

I WILL FORGIVE YOU
IT'S FOR GETTIN' OUTTA THE HOSPITAL
TAKE IT
THAT KID'S PRETTY EASY GOING
HERE'S AN ASSORTMENT OF CHOCOLATES
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IT HAS BEEN QUITE A LONG TIME HASN'T IT
MIRADOL-SAN
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THAT HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH YOU
ARE STILL DOING THAT AREN'T YOU
YOU

BY CONVE-NIENCE?
WELL GIVIN' YOU THESE IS ONLY JUST BY CONVENIENCE YA'KNOW
YO
A REAL DEAL, GETTIN' YOUR HANDS DIRTY KINDA "MISSION"
YOU GUYS OF THE 13TH DIVISION GET TO SUPPORT US

YEAH
WE DON'T NEED ANY
WHAT'S THAT SUPPOSE TO MEAN
YOU GUYS DON'T NEED ANY SUPPORT
BUT I MEAN THERE'S NOTHING YOU REALLY NEED TO DO
A SUPER EASY MISSION
AND SO FIGURE EVERYONE HERE IS PRETTY OPTIMISTIC ABOUT YOU
BUT IN THE END THIS IS FOR YOUR REHABILITY
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YA' KNOW ALZ, THE TRUTH IS
I'VE BEEN WAITING FOR THIS TIME TO COME
SO THAT'S WHAT'S GOING ON

YOU, THE "GIFT" WHO DEFIES MEDICINE AND WHO CAN PRODUCE THE SEVEN PARTS
ME, WITH A 2008 EXTERMINATION RATE
THE MONKEY WITH THE MOST MISSIONS
AND THE OLD HAG
OUT OF ALL THE PHARMASISTS IN THE STAFF OF AESCULAPIUS" THERE ARE ONLY FOUR PEOPLE WHO HAVE TRUE POWERS
"HYGIEIA"
THAT S US FOUR
BUT THEY ONLY CALL US THAT AROUND HERE THOUGH

AND SOOOOON ENOUGH WE'RE GONNA SEE WHO'S THE STRONGEST
AND FIRST OFF IS ALZ
WE'RE GONNA SEE BETWEEN YOU AND ME THIS MISSION

ALRIGHT LET'S GO
GIFT HUNTING
WELL IF THERE AIN'T A STRONG GIFT THAN WE WON'T KNOW WHO'S STRONGER, AND THAT'LL BE A BIG PAIN IN THE ASS
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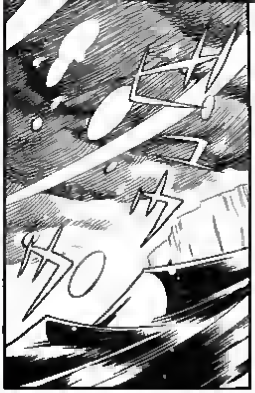

HEY
HUH?

IT'S SO COLD !!!
YOU SAID THIS WAS AN EASY MIS-SION
YOU'RE MAKIN' A PRETTY FUNNY FACE, YA' KNOW THAT
WELL IT IS OVERALL A PRETTY EASY MISSION

SO, WHERE ARE WE
THIS IS A BIG ICE CUBE IN THE MIDDLE OF THE OCEAN
IT'S PRETTY FAR NORTH FROM HQ
ONLY A LITTLE WHILE FURTHER AND THERE'LL BE AN ISLAND
AND THE PA-TIENTS
ARE THE PEOPLE OF THAT LITTLE PLOT OF DIRT
HOW LONG THEY'VE BEEN SICK WE DON'T KNOW, THERE'S GONNA BE SOME DIFFERENT PROGRES-SIONS OF ILLNESSES
IT SEEMS LIKE ALL THEIR LIVERS HAVE SWOLLEN UP
WHAT'S MORE PEOPLE'S BODIES ARE COVERED IN SYMPTOMS
THE RESULTS SHOW A PARASITIC GIFT
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ARE YOU EVEN LISTENING?
I'M ALREADY DONE FOR
It's so cold
I'M GONNA GO TO SLEEP
DIE
HEY, WAKE UP
IF YOU DIE IT'LL BE A REAL PAIN IN MY ASS
WHY IS IT THAT YOU GUYS ALWAYS TAKE THOSE RECUPERATING TO SUCH HORRIBLE PALCES
the cold snow and the risk of hypothermia
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COME ON
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YEP HURT YEAR ROUND SO THEIR AIN'T NO TIME FOR RE-CUPERATIN'

LET'S GO, ONCE YOU START MOVIN' YOU'LL WARM UP
OVER THERE'S THE ISLAND THE PARASITIC GIFT INFECTED
PERMAFROST "ICEPARK"

IT'S SO COLD, I CAN'T MOVE
I'M GONNA FREEZE
IF YOU FREEZE THEN I'LL SMASH YOU INTO PIECES
COULD YOU STOP, I DON'T WANNA HERE JOKES NOW
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THIS IS GONNA BE FUN
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LET'S GO GIFT HUNTING
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TO BE CONTINUED
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